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GENEVA FOR ALLARD LOWENSTEIN

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM
SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS

1. IN AN INFORMAL LUNCHEON CONVERSATION MARCH 15, MARIO SOARES TOLD ME HE HAD FOLLOWED THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION ON HUMAN RIGHTS VERY CLOSELY. HIS PERSONAL OPINION WAS THAT PRESIDENT CARTER WAS VERY MUCH ON THE RIGHT TRACK. NOT ONLY WAS HIS POSITION MORALLY CORRECT BUT IT HAD ALSO SUCCESSFULLY PUT THE SOVIETS ON THE DEFENSIVE.

2. I SUGGESTED THAT SOARES, AS AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FIGURE ASSOCIATED WITH HUMAN RIGHTS, CONSIDER WAYS IN WHICH HE MIGHT SUPPORT OUR POLICY. SOARES SAID HE HAD ALREADY GIVEN THOUGHT TO THIS AND PLANNED TO INVITE VLADIMIR BUKOVSKY TO VISIT PORTUGAL. THIS WAS THE BEGINNING OF A CAMPAIGN TO HIGHLIGHT THE PROBLEM OF COMMUNIST DISSIDENTS. SOARES ALSO SAID HE WOULD LEND SUPPORT TO ADMINISTRATION POSITION WHEN HE RECEIVED INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD IN NEW YORK.

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3. SOARES SAID HE LOOKED FORWARD WITH GREAT PLEASURE TO FORTHCOMING VISIT BY ALLARD LOWENSTEIN. HE RECALLED LOWENSTEIN AS A MAN WHO HAD OPEN CONTACT WITH HIM IN PORTUGAL DURING SALAZAR DAYS AND NOTED THAT U.S. COULD NOT BE BETTER REPRESENTED ON HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION. CARLUCCI

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